

THE EDITOR'S MAIL BAG

A few of the many letter of a complimentary nature received by The Colored American the past week are printed below. The Colored American goes everywhere and the best of it will be found in glancing over these letters. They come from every point in the compass. They speak for themselves.

ONE OF THE BEST.

St. Georges, Bermuda, February 26, '01.
Editor Colored American: The Colored American is the paper that I want and I am willing to pay the price for it, as I think it is one of the best papers that I have read published by the colored race, and I will try and see what I can do for it. Wishing the paper every success and its editor long life to help the members of the colored race, I remain yours truly,
E. A. B.

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Staunton, Va., February 1, '01.
Respectfully,
W. M. C.

A GREAT JOURNAL.

Kathleen, Ga., February 5, '01.
Editor Cooper: Please find enclosed one dollar of my subscription bill which please accept. Will send balance the first of prox. To say the least, yours is a great journal; I can't do without it. Much success to you.
Respectfully,
W. M. C.

A GOOD COMPANION.

Port Melbourne, Victoria, Australia, 3, 31, '01.
Editor Colored American: I take pleasure in renewing my subscription for another year to your paper. It has been a great pleasure to read The Colored American. I have enjoyed a pleasant year by its visit, a good companion giving just the news one wants to know. Wishing The Colored American successful years,
Yours truly,
A. G.

APPRECIATES READING IT.

Editor Colored American: I receive my paper regularly and I appreciate always reading its columns. Please find enclosed \$2 for which you will send paper until expiration of time stated.

Very truly yours,
C. M. M.
Jacksonville, Fla.

GOOD WISHES.

Editor Colored American: I avail myself of this opportunity to congratulate you on the marked ability with which The Colored American is edited and to wish you further success in the world of journalism. With cordial respect, I remain,
Yours very faithfully,
M. Da R., M. D.
Edinburgh, Scotland.

DON'T WANT TO MISS IT.

Gentlemen: Please find enclosed 50 cents in postage stamps; continue the paper. I must read The Colored American, and don't want to miss a single paper. Yours for success.
W. T. H.
Campbellsville, Ky.

AN IDEAL PAPER.

Cleveland, Ohio, January 26, '01.
Editor The American: Please find enclosed post office order for one years subscription to the Colored American. Yours is an ideal Twentieth Century paper. Wish you continued progress and success.
Yours very truly,
W. F. C.

A GREAT COMFORT.

The Colored American has been a great comfort to me, as I have been better informed through its contents of the valuable men and women of my race.
Truly yours,
Cincinnati, O.
Mrs. A. T.

A CYNOSURE.

Manager Colored American: Please send your paper to my address for six months. Among the Negro newspapers I consider your journal a never varying cynosure.

Respectfully,
J. W. O. G.
Henderson, N. C.

WORDS FAIL

Editor Colored American: I wish that I had words fit to congratulate you on your forward step, in placing The American on sale at the newsstands under the direction of the Newspaper Union. But they—words—fail me. You are the living wonder of your age in Negro journalism. And the end is not yet.
M. W. S.
Bristol, Tenn.-Va., Feb. 4, '01.

"A Rival by Request"—A Three Act and Comedy With Scenic Effect.

The above production will be rendered at the Metropolitan Baptist church, R street, Friday, March 29, at 8 p m. The cast includes Misses Daisy Wylie, Lucy Lumpkins, Etta Johnson, Lavenia Wylie, Mary Wilson and Messrs. Walter Hurt, Richard Younger, Harry Wilson, Jesse Chase, Charles Piyor and Daniel Chase. Soloists for the evening, Mr. Walter Hurt, baritone, "Believe;" Miss Daisy Robb, soprano, "My Sweet Heart Rose;" Miss Ticonderoga Ware, soprano, "Love's Golden Dream," and Miss Mary Leftwich. Juvenile soloists, little Marie Beckett, Beatrice Ware, also and Jeannette Jordan.

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Bill Anthony's Coolness.

"Bill" Anthony was one of the best examples that came out of the Spanish War of the man who can keep his head when others have lost theirs says Richard Harding Davis in Everybody's Magazine. His coolly indifferent announcement to Sigsbee that the Maine was sinking, either showed a soul disciplined to the condition of an automaton, or a spirit which nothing could dismay. I once asked Captain Sigsbee if the popular version of Anthony's speech was correct. He said it was, but that Anthony did not salute him as was generally told, nor preface his speech with "I beg to report, sir." "We bumped into each other in the dark," Sigsbee said, "and if he had saluted and spoken with that formality, he would have been thinking of himself and of making an effect, and not of his duty. What he really said and did is better without any of the advantages which came later."

To Rally for the Missions.

We notice that Rev. L. G. Jordan, Correspondent Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention, 718 W. Walnut st., Louisville, Ky., has literally carpeted the country with programs for the Annual Foreign Mission Rally in the Baptist churches, held on Easter Sunday of each year. We are told that there are nearly two million Baptists in this country and yet the Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board expects or asks that at least \$2,500 from this great effort. Ten thousand dollars to our minds would be a small sum, especially when we consider the numbers and the fact that Dr. Jordau has for five years spent all of his time educating and stimulating his Church in this great work. Any denomination numbering two million ought to give at least ten thousand dollars once a year for the very work for which their Church is founded. As we note marked improvements in the Baptist churches in all lines for the past two or three years we feel sure that they will measure up in this effort. Success to the Board and Dr. Jordau.

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